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## I.L.A.-I.L.T.A. Conference

Indianapolis, November 2-4, 1950

### Tentative Program

Thursday, November 2

Morning	Registration
	I.L.A. Executive Board
Afternoon	I.L.A.-I.L.T.A. Business Meeting
Evening	General Session
	Indiana chapter, S.L.A. in charge

Friday, November 3

Morning	Section meetings
Noon	Trustees Luncheon
	Junior Members Luncheon
Afternoon	General Session
	Legislation for Indiana
	Stanley Cornelius, "Fashion in Color for the Library"
	College and University Round Table
Evening	Banquet—A. B. Guthrie, Jr.

Saturday, November 4

Morning	Library school breakfasts
	General Session
	Services for Children and Young People
	I.S.L.A. in charge

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### THE INDIANA STATE LIBRARY

The Indiana State Library was created in 1825. Since 1925 control of the library has been vested in the Indiana Library and Historical Board. In 1933 the library moved into its present quarters, the State Library and Historical Building, 140 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis 4.

Originally created for the use of state officials, the library since 1903 has served the entire state through loans to other libraries and direct loans to individuals in areas without local library service. In 1925 the State Library absorbed the Public Library Commission and has since served as the library extension agency of the state.

It is a depository for federal documents and for books in braille and talking book records. Its special collections include materials for genealogical research, the state archives, Indiana newspapers, and all types of material relating to Indiana.

Two other libraries are also housed in the same building: the Indiana Academy of Science Library and the William Henry Smith Memorial Library of the Indiana Historical Society.

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## I. L. A. PLANS CONFERENCE

A. B. Guthrie, jr., Hoosier born novelist, will be the featured speaker at the annual Indiana Library Association-Indiana Library Trustees Association Conference to be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 2, 3 and 4 in Indianapolis.

### Guthrie to Address Banquet

Mr. Guthrie will address the conference at its banquet Friday evening. Stanley Cornelius, representing the Enterprise Paint Company, Chicago, will speak at the general session Friday afternoon on "Fashion in Color for the Library". Thursday night's session will be in charge of the Indiana chapter, Special Libraries Association. A speaker for this meeting had not been selected when the *Library Occurrent* went to press.

### Legislation to Receive Attention

The legislative program for 1950-51 will receive major attention at section meetings Friday morning and again Friday afternoon, when discussion will focus on ways and means of translating a legislative program into action. The Legislative Committee report, scheduled for Thursday afternoon's business session, will form the basis for Friday's discussion. Esther Thornton, Indianapolis Public Library, is chairman of the Joint I.L.A.-I.L.T.A. Legislative Committee. Business meetings of the two associations will be held on Thursday.

The Indiana School Librarians Associa-

tion will conduct the Saturday morning session. A panel discussion on services for children and young people is planned with public and school librarians represented on the panel. A guest speaker will also be invited who will discuss reading for young people. Leonard Smith, librarian, Jefferson High School, Lafayette, is chairman of the committee arranging this program.

### Luncheons on Friday

A trustees luncheon and a junior members luncheon are scheduled for Friday noon, with speakers to be announced. Librarians with 25 or more years of service will be honored at a breakfast Saturday morning. Library school breakfasts will also be held at that time. The College and University Round Table will meet Friday afternoon.

### Conference Committees

Conference committees are: Local Arrangements; Lois Ringo, Anderson, Mrs. Elizabeth Burton, Indianapolis, and Mrs. A. E. Deupree, Bloomington trustee; Trustee Citation, Rev. C. J. Schuerman, St. Joseph's College, James Howard, Hammond, and Margaret Cooper, Linton; and Exhibits, Dan A. Williams, Muncie. Mrs. Harriet Bard, librarian, Morrisson Reeves Public Library, Richmond, is president of I.L.A. and Mrs. F. A. Borns, Gary, is president of I.L.T.A.

## A.L.A. MEETS IN CLEVELAND

By MARJORIE WOOD, Chief, Loan Division, State Library

A tribute to Linda A. Eastman, distinguished librarian of the Cleveland Public Library from 1918 to 1938, provided a fitting opening to the first general session of the annual A.L.A. Conference held in Cleveland, Ohio, July 16-22.

Conference delegates were offered a crowded week of business and program meetings with opportunities to visit Cleveland's many outstanding libraries between sessions.

### Lord and Emeny Speak

Speakers at the first session were Milton Lord, director of the Boston Public Library and president of A.L.A., and Brooks Emeny, president of the Foreign Policy Association. Mr. Emeny's address dealt with aspects of America's foreign policy in the Far East.

Mr. Lord called the attention of all librarians to the fact that they are often too busy with paper problems to see the real issues of the profession. He emphasized the need for strong national unity among the 19 library organizations in the U. S., for strengthening library activities at the state level particularly, and for wide mobilization of our intellectual resources as well as our physical resources.

### Loyalty Resolution

The A.L.A. Council adopted the following resolution on loyalty programs, revising the previous statement which had been under consideration since the Midwinter Conference last January:

*"Whereas, A democracy must preserve freedom*

*of thought and expression if it is to survive; and*

*Whereas, Loyalty investigations of library employees may create an atmosphere of suspicion and fear and tend to limit intellectual freedom by rendering it hazardous to hold or express other than popular or orthodox views; and*

*Whereas, Librarians have a special responsibility to provide information on all sides of controversial issues, but cannot do so if intellectual conformity becomes a factor effecting their employment or tenure; and*

*Whereas, The American Library Association has received evidence that loyalty tests may easily lead to the violation of the constitutional rights of library employees, and in some cases already have done so; therefore, be it*

*Resolved, That we, the Council of the American Library Association, strongly protest loyalty programs which inquire into a library employee's thoughts, reading matter, associates, or membership in organizations, unless a particular person's definite actions warrant such investigation. We approve the affirmation of allegiance to our Government. We condemn loyalty oaths and investigations which permit the discharge of an individual without a fair hearing. We hold that in a fair hearing the accused is furnished a statement of the charges against him, is allowed to see the evidence against him, is given an opportunity to prepare and to present his defense and to question his accusers with the aid of legal counsel, is presumed innocent until proved guilty, and is given the opportunity, if adjudged guilty, of judicial review."*

### Adult Education Meeting

Most people want to have a public library in their community, but do not use it, Florence Craig, director of adult education, Cuyahoga County Public Library, said in

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her talk before the Adult Education Section, on "Should Librarians Read Books." She stressed the point that librarians should read and know good books, and that some library time should be allowed for reading.

### What Books Should We Buy

According to J. Donald Adams, editor, New York Times Book Review Section and speaker on the Public Library Division panel, libraries should leave the matter of entertainment to other agencies. The public appetite for more solid reading is growing and needs encouragement. To this end, libraries should concentrate on the best and most useful books.

Donald S. Cameron, manager, American Book Publishers Council, Inc., and Felix Hirsch were leaders in a discussion before the Book Acquisition Committee. Dr. Hirsch, librarian of Bard College, suggested that publishers print more lasting, worthwhile books in cheap editions for children, publish art books in medium price range, work to prolong the life of good titles and keep them in print, print more books on the Far East and Russia, and try to improve on book advertising.

### American Library History

Louis Shores discussed the early California gold rush libraries at a meeting of the American Library History Round Table on Monday. One of the first was founded in San Francisco, by a group of forty-niners. This was a mercantile library, open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily for men, and two hours per day for women! Other unusual libraries set up in this period were a

Turnverein library, a Y.M.C.A. library, and a library in one of the San Francisco hotels.

Vinnie Mayer, Ohio State Museum, Columbus, Ohio, told of the Coonskin or Western Library Association Library, which was planned during a road meeting in Ohio in 1823. Part of the money for the library came from the sale of coon and other skins. When silk hats became popular, the price of coonskins went down. This also decreased the library income. The books which made up the library were moved from home to home of the share holders.

### William H. Brett Praised

William Howard Brett, who was librarian of Cleveland Public Library from 1884-1918, was the subject of the talk given by Carl Vitz, director, Cincinnati Public Library. Among Brett's contributions to librarianship are the recognition of the need for service to young people, compilation of a dictionary catalog, open access to shelves, a cumulative index to periodicals which was first published by the Cleveland library and later by H. W. Wilson, and the organization of the Cleveland Public Library by subject departments.

### State Librarians Study State Agencies

The National Association of State Libraries in its meeting on Tuesday considered a study of library services supported by state governments designed to show patterns of state library agency organization. Walter Brahm, director, Ohio State Library, was chairman of the committee which produced the study.

A joint meeting of N.A.S.L. and the Extension Division took the form of a sym-

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posium on the development of a more co-ordinated program of library service in all states between the state library agency and (1) trustees, (2) local libraries, (3) specialized libraries, and (4) individuals (the public).

N.A.S.L. officers elected for 1950-51 are president, Eleanor S. Stephens, Oregon; vice-president, Roger McDonough, New Jersey; and secretary-treasurer, Alfred D. Keator, Pennsylvania.

### American Library Institute

The American Library Institute went out of existence at this conference. Assets of \$1600 were turned over to A.L.A. to be used for studies of library problems. Attending the final meeting were Charles H. Compton, St. Louis; Paul North Rice, New York Public Library; Louis J. Bailey, Queens Borough Public Library and former director of the Indiana State Library; Ernest J. Reese, Columbia School of Library Service; Henry B. Van Hoesen, Brown University; and Harold F. Brigham, Indiana State Library.

### Rider on Book Storage

Fremont Rider of Wesleyan College presented a paper before the College Libraries Section of A.C.R.L. on "Compact Book Storage", condensing his recently published book of the same title. The Rider proposal offers a plan whereby any library can double its utilization of available shelf space. Librarians will be interested in obtaining the book, published by Hadham Press, 701 W. 184th St., New York 33, New York.

Extension workers from all over the

country gathered July 14 for a two day pre-conference institute on Demonstration of Library Service. They came with the conviction that 'effective demonstration of library service is one key to the door that separates more than 35 million of the nation's population from the benefits of free access to our book wealth. Discussion, therefore, was keyed to the forward looking viewpoint of how to plan adequate demonstrations with or without federal aid.

The institute opened with a panel presentation of three demonstration plans now in operation in Louisiana, Wisconsin, and in Watertown, New York. Using the buzz session technique at a later meeting the group discussed costs of an effective demonstration, standards for planning and evaluating such projects, and means of training workers.

### New Federal Library Bill

The advisability of strengthening existing library agencies at the state level before local and regional demonstrations are undertaken was considered at the final meeting. Mrs. Margie Malmberg, A.L.A. Washington representative, and Ralph M. Dunbar, representing the U. S. Office of Education, outlined the new library bill to be introduced in Congress in 1951 upon approval of the A.L.A. Council. It has been suggested that the bill might receive stronger support if the word "demonstration" were changed to "extension" or "library development". With such terminology, the provisions of the bill could be broadened to include any program that an individual state might propose for



expanding service within its borders.

Mrs. Malmberg also addressed a joint meeting of the Federal Relations Committee and the Extension Division. Speaking from her personal experience she gave invaluable suggestions for working with legislators, both federal and state. Points she stressed were: (1) know your legislators, (2) be familiar with legislative processes, (3) be sincere in relations with legislators, (4) be prepared to brief legislators on small details as well as important points in your program, (5) use facts to support your program, and be sure the facts are correct, (6) know the arguments of the opposition, (7) and finally, obtain local support for your bill.

#### Extension, Trustees to Unite

The Extension and Trustees Divisions agreed in business meetings to join with the Public Libraries Division in forming a new association within the framework of A.L.A. Further steps will be taken in this direction at the 1951 Midwinter Conference.

#### Hoosiers on Programs

Among Hoosier librarians appearing on group programs were: Marian McFadden, librarian, Indianapolis Public Library; Dorothy Lawson and Mrs. Margaret Cobb of the Indianapolis Public Library staff; Margaret Rufsvold, director, Division of Library Science, Indiana University; Marion Grady, Ball State Teachers College Library; Alice Carter, South Bend Public Library; and Bernice Bruner, Evansville Public Library.

Miss Rufsvold presided at a panel conducted by the Audio-Visual Board; Miss

Carter spoke at the meeting of the Business and Technology Section, Public Libraries Division, Mrs. Cobb at the Branch Librarians Section meeting; Miss Bruner participated in a discussion session of the Association of Young People's Librarians, and Miss McFadden discussed cooperation between administration and staff at the S.O.R.T. meeting. Marion Grady is secretary of the Teacher Training Institution Libraries Section of A.C.R.L.

#### Dorothy Lawson Speaks

Miss Lawson, librarian of Holladay Memorial Library for Young People, discussed the program of that Indianapolis branch at the Association of Young People's Librarians meeting Monday afternoon, July 17. Hoosier librarians may be justly proud of the pioneer work that has been done in developing this experimental library activity center for all city youth, regardless of race or economic status. Opening the center required the close cooperation and backing of many civic agencies. Miss Lawson outlined the public relations planning which effectively drew these diverse groups together.

#### A.L.A. Officers

A.L.A. officers for 1950-51 announced at the conference are: president, Clarence Graham, Louisville Public Library; president-elect and first vice-president, Mrs. Loleta Dawson Fyan, Michigan state librarian; second vice-president, Harriet D. MacPherson, dean, Drexel Institute of Technology School of Library Science; and treasurer, R. Russell Munn, librarian, Akron, Ohio Public Library.

## CARTER NEW EXTENSION HEAD

Harriet I. Carter has been appointed head of the Extension Division, Indiana State Library, succeeding Lena B. Nofcier, who resigned August 15 to become librarian of the Lima, Ohio Public Library.

Miss Carter comes to Indianapolis from Elkhart where she had been librarian of the Elkhart Public Library since 1947. A native of Ohio, Miss Carter received the B. S. degree from the Ohio State University and the B.L.S. from the University of Chicago Library School. She served for a number of years on the staff of the Chicago Public Library and was librarian of the Iron Mountain, Michigan Public Library before going to Elkhart.

### Acquainted with Indiana Libraries

For the past two years, Miss Carter has served as chairman of the I.L.A.-I.L.T.A. Action Committee, a position which has given her a wide acquaintance with Indiana libraries and their problems. She acted as consultant for a vocational workshop for untrained librarians conducted by the Michigan State Library, during the summer of 1946 and was instructor in book selection for two later Michigan workshops.

Miss Nofcier's capable guidance has contributed in large measure to the development during the past year and a half of Indiana's program for increased state-wide service by strengthening the Extension Division of the State Library. This program will go forward under Miss Carter's demonstrated leadership with the added benefit of her knowledge of the library situation in Indiana.



Harriet I. Carter

### FINAL INQUIRY REPORT

The final, general report of the public Library Inquiry by its director, Robert D. Leigh, was published in August under the title *The Public Library in the United States*. The report is one of the most significant studies of the American public library produced in many years. Fewer and larger public library systems, and a 50 percent increase in annual expenditures in the next decade are its two major recommendations. It has been published by Columbia University Press together with five other special reports of the Inquiry. A summary of the Inquiry findings was printed in the September, 1949 *Library Occurrent*.



## NEW AREAS OF COOPERATION

By MARGARET DONNELL, Chief, Reference Division, State Library

When the Bureau of Public Discussion was established at Indiana University in 1914, its original purpose was described as the promotion of public discussion of current economic, social and political problems. This purpose still remains as one of the chief objectives of the Bureau, according to Mary F. Anderson, director.

Recently plans have been made by staff members of the Bureau and the State Library which it is hoped will materially improve the services of both these adult education agencies in their work with club women, service groups, and other groups as yet unreached by either of them.

Information for such discussion groups is most often found in pamphlet and clipping form. This type of material, carefully selected, will still be available from the Package Library service of the Bureau of Public Discussion. However, as the field of adult education has widened its scope to include recreational and vocational interests, the demands upon the Bureau have often been of the kind that fall most logically within the province of the public libraries of the state. Many times the requests that come into the Bureau could be better filled by either the local library or the State Library, through the use of books, a source not provided by the Bureau.

Present plans for study club groups include the continuation of the preparation of outlines of suggested topics for club study programs by the University's Bureau of

Public Discussion distributed in package libraries. The State Library will furnish brief book lists of appropriate titles to be enclosed with the study outlines sent out from the University. The book lists will provide background material for many of the program topics.

It is assumed that books will be sought from the local public library and that local libraries will resort to the State Library to supplement their resources. The State Library may be contacted directly in the event there is no local public library. If specific book titles are not available at time of the request, libraries will make every effort to find satisfactory substitutes.

In addition to the University's study outlines and package libraries, there are numerous reading courses which are of interest. Many of the titles for these courses are available from libraries throughout the state.

The State Library will refer to Indiana University program planning requests which involve pamphlet material chiefly. The State Library will make brief book lists to supplement these planned programs. Pamphlet and clipping material will be available from the State Library as well as through the package library service. Requests received by the Bureau of Public Discussion that can best be answered by book material will be referred back to the sender with the recommendation that he get assistance from his local library or from the State Library by way of the local librarian.

## STATE GETS CEILING PROJECTOR

Beta Phi Sigma of Indiana, a business women's organization, has given the Indiana State Library a ceiling projector and plans regarding its use are being formulated by the library, according to Harold F. Brigham, director. Because of the growing use of ceiling projectors, the State Library is particularly pleased to receive this gift.

This machine which projects microfilm copies of printed books has helped handicapped people pass many pleasant hours in reading. The book's image is cast on the ceiling or, with the use of the new Vu-aid, may be projected vertically on a sheet on the foot of the bed or on a screen.

### Publicity for Projected Books

Planned publicity is necessary for a successful projected books program. At the meeting of the Projected Books Committee, held during the A.L.A. Conference in Cleveland, several ideas for publicity were proposed. Clara Lucioli, Service to Shut-ins, Cleveland Public Library, suggested that the

library emphasize the fact that projected book service is a free service. When not in use, the projected book machine should be displayed in a prominent place in the library.

Harold Hacker of the Erie County, Pennsylvania Library, said that library had used spot radio announcements successfully in promoting the use of projected books. Erie County now has 33 machines.

Several librarians expressed the belief that the complaint of some patients that reading by projected books was hard on their eyes was often psychological. To overcome this, it may be advisable to start with picture books on film, and later have the patient use print books on film.

A union catalog of film in that area has been developed at Oakland, California, and Oklahoma State Library is now working on a union list.

A list of projected book machines located in Indiana, according to Projected Books, Inc., appears on page 344.

## RURAL LIBRARY SERVICE: A SUBSIDY

Library trustees and taxpayers and librarians in many cases do not know that the city taxpayers are subsidizing the rural readers who use the libraries. The ABC Library sells a card to a rural borrower for one dollar a year. The borrower may take out two books at a time which makes it possible for him to borrow one hundred and four books a year if he reads two a week. That makes his cost about one cent a book. That library spends \$10,000.00 to operate during the year and circulates 100,000 books, so the actual cost to circulate each book is ten cents. Hence the rural borrower pays one cent each for his books but the city taxpayer pays the other nine cents for each of that rural borrower's books, or nine dollars a year so the rural reader can obtain service for a dollar a year. No businessman operates at such a loss. City taxpayers would not approve such a plan if they realized the situation.—*The Catalyst*. Iowa Library Association, Mar.-April, 1950, reprinted in *Library Journal*, June 1, 1950, p.931.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR BOOK WEEK

The Extension Division of the State Library will provide materials and suggestions for observance of the 32nd annual celebration of Childrens Book Week, scheduled for November 12-18. The slogan, "Make Friends With Books", so successful last year as a theme which provided scope for a variety of exhibits, is to be used again in 1950.

Additional exhibit items and ideas for promoting Book Week in your community may be procured from the Children's Book Council, 50 W. 53rd St., New York 19, N. Y. Write now to the Council for its 1950 free Book Week manual which lists all available material with prices. This year's colorful poster, measuring 17 by 22 inches, was designed by William Pene du Bois and may be purchased for 30 cents from the Council. In addition to bookmarks, the Council can also furnish three new recordings: *How a Book is Made*, with Eunice Blake; *Save Time for Books*, a talk for young people by Munro Leaf; and *Books—A Family Adventure*, by Dorothy C. Fisher.

On display at the Cleveland A.L.A. Conference were the Council's clever colored streamers done in poster paper. Designed by Dr. Seuss, Robert McCloskey, Richard Bennett and Louis Slobodkin, each of the four streamers measures 17 by 5 inches and carries the slogan. The cost is 25 cents for a set of four. They make excellent "teasers" in your pre-Book Week exhibits.

The Sturgis Printing Company, Box 329, Sturgis, Michigan, also has useful Book Week material.

## FOLKLORE MEETING

The Hoosier Folklore Society held its annual meeting July 28 at Indiana University in conjunction with a two day program meeting of the American Folklore Society.

Dr. Thomas B. Noble, Indianapolis physician, was the speaker at a joint banquet of the two societies. His talk concerned his impressions of Navaho Indian life and customs observed during many years spent in the Navaho regions of the Southwest. Dr. Noble also showed pictures he had taken of the Navahos, and Mrs. Noble exhibited a group of Southwestern Indian portrait studies.

### Indiana Society Officers

Officers elected at the Hoosier society's business meeting are: president, Margaret Montgomery, Shortridge High School, Indianapolis; vice-president and editor, *Hoosier Folklore*, W. Edson Richmond, Indiana University; secretary, Hazel W. Hopper, Indiana State Library; and treasurer, Warren Roberts, Indiana University. Nellie M. Coats, Indiana State Library, is retiring president.

The national society's conference was attended by folklorists from many countries including Finland, Sweden, Great Britain, France, Japan as well as the United States. Addresses at the four program sessions dealt with folk art, literature, and music of various nationalities. Dr. Stith Thompson, director, Folklore Institute of America and graduate dean, Indiana University, presided at Saturday morning's meeting, July 29.

## ALFRED BERTRAM GUTHRIE

Hoosiers have some claim on A. B. Guthrie jr., Pulitzer Prize winner, who is to be the main speaker at the Indiana Library Association—Indiana Library Trustees Association Conference. He was born in Bedford, Indiana but left the state at the tender age of six months. The following books and articles by Mr. Guthrie, and articles about him are available at the Indiana State Library.

### Books by Guthrie

*Big Sky*, Sloan, 1947; World, 1949.

*Big Sky*, edited for younger readers, Sloan, 1950.

*Way West*, Sloan, 1950.

### Magazine Articles by Guthrie

"Bell Mare in the Hills" (Poem) *Atlantic Monthly*. January 1947, p.96.

"Characters and Compassion" *Writer*, November 1949, p.359-62.

"How to Stock a Pond" *Atlantic Monthly*. June 1949, p.93-4.

"Mountain Medicine" *Saturday Evening Post*. August 16, 1947, p.27.

"Sheep and Goats" *Atlantic Monthly*. April 1945, p.113-14.

"Snakes for the Squeamish" *Atlantic Monthly*. February 1948, p.87-88.

### Biographical Sketches and Reviews

*The Big Sky* (Review) *Missouri Historical Review*. January 1948, p. 191-92.

Clark, Walter Van Tilburg. "Emigrants on the Oregon Trail" *Saturday Review of Literature*. October 8, 1949, p.21.

Biographical sketch p. 21

Cummins, Cedric. *Big Sky* (Review) *W'i' iyobi*, Bulletin of South Dakota Historical Society. January 1, 1948, p.4.

"Garlands from Morningside Heights" *Saturday Review of Literature*. May 13, 1950, p.18.

Hazard, Eloise Perry. "First Novelist of 1947" *Saturday Review of Literature*. February 14, 1948, p.10.

Nevins, Allen. "Wild Mountain Melody" *Saturday Review of Literature*. May 3, 1947, p.9.

Biographical sketch p.9.

"Pulitzer Prizes Announced by Columbia University" *Publishers Weekly*. May 6, 1950. p.1972.

"Stay Home Young Man" *Saturday Evening Post*. August 16, 1950, p.10.

Wiley, Frances. *The Big Sky* (Review) *Pacific Historical Review*. February 1948, p.77-78.

### Newspaper Reviews

#### *Big Sky*

Indianapolis News, May 24, 1947, part 1, p.7.

Indianapolis Times, May 3, 1947, p.14.

New York Times Book Review, June 1, 1947, p.8.

#### *Way West*

Indianapolis Star, October 9, 1949, section 4, p.18.

Indianapolis News, December 17, 1949, p.2.

New York Times Book Review, October 9, 1949, p.5.

New York Herald Tribune Book Review, October 9, 1949, p.3.

### **ACTION COMMITTEE CONSIDERS DIRECTORY**

The I.L.A. Action Committee is considering the publication of a directory of library personnel and resources in Indiana, and a committee has been making tentative plans to get the project underway.

Members of the Directory Committee are: Mrs. Margery Jester, Lilly Laboratories Library, chairman; Lois Zimmerman, Indianapolis Public Library; Faye Cantrall, Butler University; Mrs. Mabel Walker, State Library; and Herbert Beatty, Beech Grove High School.

It is hoped that a compilation may be prepared listing libraries by name, giving statistics regarding number of books, records, films, and other materials, special collections and staff personnel. The latter information may prove to be impractical in view of the rapidity with which it is likely to become out of date. The costs involved in the project will also be a determining factor in the decision concerning its completion.

#### **Community Sources of Library Aid**

At a meeting of the Action Committee held at Syracuse in July a proposal to make available information regarding community sources of aid to libraries was discussed. Such aid may take the form of gifts of money, books and equipment, or services. Various means were suggested of publicizing the kind of support which has been given or could be given to libraries from civic organizations.

The objectives of the Legislative Committee were reviewed at the meeting and possible methods of informing legislative candidates of the legislative program and

of enlisting the support of organizations throughout the state were considered. The program is three-fold, including (1) strengthening and expanding the Extension Division of the State Library, (2) revision of the Library Law of 1947, and (3) continuation of efforts to obtain funds for a state archives building.

The State Library is preparing a report on salaries of head librarians in Indiana libraries to be presented to the I.L.A. Executive Board with recommendations and comments of the Action Committee and the Library Certification Board.

Edna Miller, librarian, Indiana Central College, has been appointed on the Action Committee to fill the unexpired term of James H. Richards who has left Indiana to accept a position elsewhere. Other members of the committee are: Harriet I. Carter, chairman; Mary Louise Mann, Technical High School, Indianapolis; Marcelle Foote, Connersville; Mrs. Irene Strieby, Lilly Laboratories Library; Audrey Benner, Elkhart, and Mrs. Rex Murray, Kewanna, trustees; and Harold F. Brigham, State Library director, ex-officio.

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### **LIBRARY BOARD**

The State Library and Historical Board at its July meeting elected Rabbi Morris M. Feuerlicht, Indianapolis, president, succeeding Mrs. George W. Blair, Mishawaka, who has served in that capacity since 1943. Mrs. Blair will continue a member of the Board under a four-year re-appointment until 1954.

Other newly-elected officers are vice-president, John P. Goodwin, Brookville, and secretary, Mrs. George K. Bridwell, Bloomington.



## S.L.A. APPOINTS COMMITTEES

Indiana Chapter, Special Libraries Association, announces officers and committee chairmen for 1950-51. Harold J. Sander, Business Library, Indianapolis Public Library, is president; Leland Smith, Allison Division, General Motors Corporation, vice-president; Mary Jane Laatz, Indiana University Medical School Library, director-at-large; Mrs. Hazel Hopper, Indiana State Library, secretary; and Mrs. Rita Downing Fowler, Indiana University Medical School Library, treasurer.

Committee chairmen include Slant, Frances Arbogast, Citizens Gas & Coke Utility; publicity, Lawrence Arany, Indianapolis Star-News; employment, Mrs. Elizabeth Burton, Naval Ordnance Plant; reservations, Mrs. Mabel Walker, Indiana State Library; research, Lillian Cutler, Civil Aeronautics Administration Library; hospitality, Margaret Gallagher, Naval Ordnance Plant; program, Eleanor Peterson, Indiana State Library; membership, Carl Kretzschmar, Indiana University Medical School Library; nominating, Mrs. Florence McMaster, Indiana University Law School Library; and archives, Caroline Dunn, William Henry Smith Historical Library.

The first fall meeting of the chapter was held September 16 at "Homewood", Lebanon, the home of Dr. and Mrs. Donald A. Laird. The Lairds, authors of books and magazine articles on various phases of psychology, are keenly interested in libraries. Mrs. Laird was formerly a librarian in Rhode Island and Virginia.

## CHICAGO UNIVERSITY G.L.S. CONFERENCE

Indiana was well represented at the University of Chicago Graduate Library School's Conference on Bibliographic Organization, July 24-29 in Chicago.

Among the librarians attending from Indiana were Nellie M. Coats and Vera Grey Busselle, Indiana State Library; Harold L. Boisen, Butler University; Mary Ellen Brown, Indianapolis Public Library; Audrey Knowlton, DePauw University; Mary Effie King, Indiana State Teachers College, Terre Haute; Jewel Maurice, Lilly Laboratories Library; and Margaret Sullivan, Purdue University.

The purpose of the conference was to explore the problem of effective organization of the mass of information continually being produced through our many media of communication. The alarming rate of production of printed materials makes it imperative that new means of bibliographic control be devised. Bibliographic tools, such as indexes, abstracts and guides, which researchers and experts in diverse subject fields are constantly preparing, must be integrated and correlated.

Topics of papers presented during the conference covered the historical development of bibliographic organization, adequacy of existing service in specific areas such as the bibliographies in agriculture, classification systems, and the possible uses of such devices as the electronic machines. It is expected that the papers will be published by Chicago University.



## PROPOSED ADULT EDUCATION LEGISLATION

The Indiana State Association for Adult Education will consider at its annual meeting in October the following proposed bill to be presented to the 1951 General Assembly. Its purpose is to establish a Division of Adult Education in the State Department of Education. Dr. Howard J. Baumgartel, executive secretary, Church Federation of Indianapolis, and Harold F. Brigham, State Library director, comprise the Association's Legislative Committee.

A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning adult education, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF INDIANA:

SEC. 1. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the state, as a part of its provision for public education, to promote continuing educational opportunity for adult citizens in order to assure an informed citizenry and to obtain high standards of personal and group living in a democratic society.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created within the Indiana State Board of Education a division of adult education. The state superintendent of public instruction shall appoint a director of adult education. The amount of compensation of the director shall be fixed in the manner provided by Chapter 280 of the Acts of 1949, which is an act entitled "An Act authorizing the Budget Committee and the Governor to fix salaries of all state

officers and employees except state officials elected by the vote of the people," approved March 13, 1947. The director shall possess a university or college degree and shall have special competence and adequate experience in the field of adult education.

SEC. 3. The duties of the director shall, under the direction and supervision of the state superintendent of public instruction, be to promote and integrate adult education in Indiana through research and demonstration, and through the cooperation and assistance of established institutions and agencies, both public and private.

SEC. 4. The phrase "adult education," as used in this act, shall be understood to embrace both formal and non-formal educational activities and programs engaged in voluntarily by persons who have completed or discontinued their initial, basic schooling and assumed the responsibilities of adulthood.

SEC. 5. The sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated annually out of any money in the general fund of the state treasury not otherwise appropriated to the Indiana State Board of Education, to be expended by said board for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

SEC. 6. Whereas an emergency exists for the immediate taking effect of this act, the same shall be in full force and effect on and after July 1, 1951.

## A COMMUNICATION REVOLUTION

The following excerpt from the Seattle Public Library's annual report merits the thoughtful consideration of every librarian concerned with public library service.

\*It is timely to consider briefly the changing function of the public library in the community. We are now in the process of a "communication revolution", with technological developments still continuing in the fields of print, radio, and motion pictures. This development of the "mass media" of communication is in competition with the public library in the recreational field and the competition will undoubtedly increase.

A recent study entitled *The Library's Public* by Bernard Berelson, dean of the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, shows that the popular use of the five major media of communication is distributed as follows:

About 25%-30% of the adult population reads one or more books a month.

About 45%-50% of the adult population sees a motion picture once every two weeks or oftener.

About 60%-70% of the adult population reads one or more magazines more or less regularly.

About 85%-90% of the adult population reads one or more magazines more or less regularly.

About 90%-95% of the adult population listens to the radio fifteen minutes a day or more.

Thus, while practically everyone listens to the radio, or reads a newspaper, only one person in four reads a book a month.

### Implications for the Library

What are the implications for the public library? There seem to be two: First, that the public library need no longer consider itself the only, or even the most important, agency in the community to provide opportunities for recreation, even though this has in the past been an important library function. Many of us can remember life in pre-radio, pre-movie, even pre-rental-bookshop days, when reading—library book reading, that is—assumed a much larger place in the lives of people than it does today. The library may well continue to perform a recreational service, but recreation no longer needs first attention.

The second implication is that the very growth of the mass media of communication, together with the complex problems facing the world today, have given the public library a unique position as an information and educational center. The communication revolution has brought every individual within hearing or reading distance of a welter of facts, opinions and interpretations. The mass media do not, and probably cannot, present or make available the wide range of materials which the citizen needs to form sound opinions. Changing emphasis in the use of the public library has paralleled this change brought about by the growth of the mass media and librarians, more or less consciously, are adapting their services to the new demands.

\* Seattle Public Library, Fifty-Ninth Annual Report, 1949, p. 7-8.

## SCIENCE ACADEMY LIBRARY MOVED

The Indiana Academy of Science library will soon occupy two rooms on the fourth floor of the State Library building. This move will give the Academy's library a status comparable to the Indiana Historical Society library, which is also housed in the building.

### Office and Stack Space Provided

One room will be used as an office for Academy members and the other for the book collection. Academy of Science materials had formerly been shelved in the State Library stacks. Steel shelves have been ordered to accommodate the collection, which consists of some 4000 bound volumes and 500 serials currently received. The latter include serial publications from scientific societies, museums, and universities throughout the world, obtained on exchange for Academy proceedings.

### Academy Founded 1885

The Academy was founded in 1885 with David Starr Jordan as its first president. A contract was drawn up in 1898 with the State Library to house its materials in the library. John S. Wright, of Eli Lilly Company, who signed the contract for the Academy, is now a member of its library committee. Nellie M. Coats, head, Catalog Department, State Library, is chairman with Professor Ray C. Friesner, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Butler University, as a third member.

## Did You Know . . .

Librarians wishing to use colored features from *Coronet Magazine* for displays may obtain advertising proofs without cost from Howard G. Haas, library editor, Coronet Building, Chicago 1, Illinois. A cover from *Coronet* must be used in the display to indicate source of the material.

Specifications of the St. Paul, Minnesota Public Library bookmobile were published in some detail in *Minnesota Libraries*, June, 1950. Perrie Jones, librarian, invites interested librarians to contact her for information.

According to a notice in *Library Journal*, June 1, 1950, the Sacramento, California Public Library is having music by Musak piped into its building on a trial basis. Mrs. Grace Taylor Dean, librarian, reports the majority of patrons have been enthusiastic.

*The Use of Television in the Public Library*, a 30 page report of a forum sponsored by the A.L.A. Audio-Visual Board and the Library Public Relations Council, may be purchased from the American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago 11, Ill., at \$1 per copy.

The third edition of Anne M. Boyd's indispensable reference book, *United State Government Publications*, revised by Rae Elizabeth Rips, has recently been issued by H. W. Wilson Co., New York 52, N. Y.

A 16 mm. sound film, "It's All Yours", starring Ralph Bellamy and designed to encourage young people to read, is sold at cost for \$25 to educational institutions by the Teen Age Book Club, 7 E. 12th St., New York 3, N. Y.

## CEILING PROJECTORS IN INDIANA\*

Anderson	1—Mrs. Theo. F. Stewart, 3024 E. 5th St. (Demonstrator to start program)
Bloomington	1—Dr. L. L. Taylor
Bluffton	1—Bluffton Lions Club, Robt. W. Moore
East Chicago	2—St. Catherine's Hospital
Evansville	1—All Hospitals
	1—Boehne Hospital
	2—Kiwanis Club
Fort Wayne	3—Mrs. Harley Shaffer, 3409 Piqua (Demonstrators for Beta Sigma Phi Program)
	1—Billings General Hospital
	1—Allen County Library
Gary	2—Gary Rotary Club
Greensburg	1—Public Library
Hammond	4—Hessville Lions Club in cooperation with several civic groups
Hartford City	1—Public Library
Huntington	1—Lions Club, V.L. Scales
Indianapolis	2—James Whitcomb Riley Hospital
	3—Indiana University Medical Center
	1—St. Vincent's Hospital
	1—Indianapolis City Hospital
	1—Robert Long Hospital
	5—Methodist Hospital
	1—General Hospital
Knox	1—13th Dist. Ind. Federation of Clubs, Mrs. Fred Hinz
Kokomo	1—Villa Maria Hospital
	1—The Howard County Crippled Children's Society
Lafayette	2—Public Library
	1—St. Elizabeth's Hospital
Michigan City	1—St. Anthony's Hospital
Muncie	1—Ball Memorial Hospital
	1—Delaware County Society for Crippled Children
	Mrs. Louis P. Fisher, 206 N. Martin St.
New Albany	1—Public Library
Rockville	1—Indiana State Sanatorium
South Bend	1—Wilson Bros. Girls' Club
Vevay	1—Lions Club
Vincennes	1—Lions Club
West Lafayette	1—Edw. F. Degering, 212 N. State St.

\* See article on page 336.

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Prepared by the Extension Division, State Library

Ruth Kellogg has been named to succeed Harriet Carter as head of the ELKHART Public Library. Miss Kellogg, who has been assistant librarian and head of the Catalog Department at the Davenport, Iowa Public Library, assumed her duties on September 1. Another addition to the Elkhart staff is Mrs. Helen Teeters, who replaced Margaret Helfrick as bookmobile librarian in July. Miss Helfrick is now head of the circulation Department. Mrs. Teeters, a graduate with a Master's degree from the University of Michigan, has been a librarian in the schools at Flint, Michigan, the Burris Training School of Ball State Teachers College, and Buchanan, Michigan.

Recent changes on the EVANSVILLE Public Library staff include F. Grace Walker, chief cataloger, who retired on July 1 after 21 years of service; Sadie Edwards, who became first assistant at East Branch on September 1; and Wilbur McGill, appointed assistant in the Central Circulation Department. Both Miss Edwards and Mr. McGill received their bachelor's degrees from Murray State College, Murray, Kentucky, last June.

Marian A. Webb, head of the Children's Department of the FORT WAYNE Public Library, resigned her position on June 1st. She has opened a new type of service as Library Consultant for juvenile books. Her services include book-news letters, bibliographies, indexing, manuscript reading, and book reviewing. Inquiries should be addressed to Miss Webb at 1217 W. Washington Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Edna Kennedy, binding librarian at the

INDIANAPOLIS Public Library, retired in August after 30 years of service. Other personnel changes on the Indianapolis Public Library staff are Thelma Grover, first assistant in the Circulation Department, resigned September 1 to become librarian of the public library at Fort Dodge, Iowa; and Alice Carr, now children's librarian at the Hawthorne Branch.

New appointments to the staff of PURDUE UNIVERSITY Library, Lafayette, are Mrs. Nancy Marr as Biology Library supervisor, and George Meluch and Maurice Nelson as assistant reference librarians. Mr. Meluch and Mr. Nelson replace Emma Lou Kopp and Ann Miller in the Reference Department.

Members of the summer library workshop at Lafayette toured Indianapolis libraries in July. The group visited Arsenal Technical library, the State Library, and the Indianapolis Public Library. The workshop, offered for the first time this year to teachers working toward a license in library science, was conducted by Howard Evans of West Lafayette High School and Leonard Smith of Jefferson High School.

The MADISON-JEFFERSON COUNTY Public Library is the recipient of a bequest for \$5,000 from the estate of Mrs. Anna G. Powell. Margaret Dixon is librarian.

The installation of fluorescent lighting tubes completed the renovation of the MONON Public Library. Slimline tubes, eight feet in length were mounted in pairs with metal louvers beneath to diffuse the light without shadows. Ethel Richardson is the librarian.

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Mrs. Harriet Bard and her staff of the RICHMOND Public Library welcome the addition of Harriet Hanzow as the new children's librarian. Miss Hanzow comes from Cleveland, Ohio, where she received her Master's degree in library science from Western Reserve University in June 1950.

The recently appointed EARLHAM COLLEGE librarian is Robert Mason Agard, librarian at Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin. He has his B.A. from Wesleyan University, Connecticut, in 1939, his B.S. from the School of Library Service, Columbia University in 1940, and his M.A. in American history from Brown University in 1942. He served as an assistant in the Social Sciences and Humanities Division at Brown University Library Providence, Rhode Island, from 1940-42. He was a junior reference librarian at the Library of Congress, Washington, from 1942-46 and during that time served as a lecturer on bibliography and reference at Catholic University, Washington. He has been at Ripon since 1946. Mr. Agard replaces James Richards jr.

Alice Carter, head, Business and Technical Branch, SOUTH BEND Public Library, was elected vice-chairman of the business group of the Special Libraries Association at the Association's convention in Atlantic City in June.

Extensive redecorating of the WILLIAMS-PORT Public Library was completed in July, according to Laurabel Schoonover, librarian. The installation of new lights and re-painting of the interior has transformed the appearance of the library.

Betty J. Montgomery of Fort Wayne has been appointed assistant in the Genealogy Division, STATE LIBRARY, replacing Mrs Jean Appel who resigned in June. Miss Montgomery is a graduate of Indiana University with 18 hours library science.

Jani Augustine is a new assistant in the SMITH LIBRARY, Indiana Historical Society. She received her A.B. degree from Purdue University in June and has for several summers been a part time member of the State Library staff. Mrs. Martha Lois Willis, former Smith Library assistant, has moved out of the city.

George A. Curtis, formerly a member of the staff of John Crerar Library, Chicago, has been appointed assistant librarian, EAST CHICAGO Public Library. Mr. Curtis' home is in Indianapolis.

Eleanor Peterson, chief, Genealogy Division, State Library, attended a three week institute on Genealogical Research in Washington, D.C. in June. The institute was sponsored by the American University, School of Social Science and Public Affairs in cooperation with the National Archives. Dr. Ernst Posner is director of the School.

Alice D. Stevens will retire October 1 from the LOGANSPOUT Public Library, which she has served for 46 years. Miss Stevens became Logansport's second librarian in 1907, and after 41 years at the helm resigned in 1948 to become reference librarian. One of the high points in her career was the establishment in 1918 of county-wide library service. Mary Holmes has succeeded Miss Stevens as head librarian.



## CURRENT ADDITIONS FOR INDIANA COLLECTION

Some Books and Pamphlets about Indiana or by Hoosier Authors,  
Compiled by HAZEL W. HOPPER, Indiana Division, State Library

BESTOR, ARTHUR EUGENE, JR. *Backwoods Utopias*. 1950. 288p. University of Pennsylvania, \$3.50.

From 1663 when Plockhov's commonwealth was established in what is now Lewes, Delaware, for a century and a half socialistic communities were being organized in America by reformers seeking a better way of life. Indiana had her share of these experiments, the best known being the one at New Harmony. This movement is discussed at length by Dr. Bestor. Other Indiana experiments mentioned are the Coal Creek Community and Church of God in Fountain County; Blue Springs Community, Monroe County; LaGrange Phalanx, LaGrange County; Fourier Phalanx, Dearborn County; Union Home Community Huntsville (now Trenton) Randolph County; Grand Prairie Community, Warren County. Dr. Bestor is an associate professor of history at the University of Illinois. The book is an Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Fund publication.

BETZ, BETTY. *The Betty Betz Career Book*. 1949. 191p. Grosset, \$2.50.

A career guide book for teen age people, giving advice with dozens of clever illustrations, on how to plan for a career, how to apply for a job, and how to behave in the office. A part of the book is made up of suggestions from more than 50 leaders in their particular fields of industry on how to plan a career in that field. Betty Betz attended high school in Hammond.

BUDENZ, LOUIS. *Men Without Faces*. 1950. 305p. Harper, \$3.50.

The author states that in this book the secrets of the communist conspiracy in the United States are exposed. Mr. Budenz was formerly a member of the Communist party and editor of the *Daily Worker*. He broke with the party in 1945 and is now a professor of economics

at Fordham University. He was born in Indianapolis.

BURNS, ROBERT. *Perfect Invader*. 1950. 297p. Bobbs, \$3.00.

The setting of this first novel by an Indianapolis author is Austria during the first weeks of the American occupation following World War II. A Chicago sergeant named Bannon was in charge of the military government in Grafenberg Township. The different men with whom he came in contact in the execution of his duties, the two old ladies who lived close by, and a young Hungarian girl are all a part of this plot of violence. The author is a veteran of the European theatre of World War II.

CLARK, ELECTA. *The Pennywinks*. 1949. 18p. Bobbs, \$2.00.

The Pennywink family consisted of Father and Mother Pennywink and their ten boys. Eleven year old Katie Kelly arrived on the train to spend the summer with an aunt, but by mistake she was taken home by the Pennywinks who had gone to the train to meet a relative's child whom they had never seen. After all the misunderstandings were cleared away, Katie stayed on to make her home with the Pennywinks and their boys.

DYER, KATE GAMBOLD. *Green Sprig*. 1950. 188p. Westminster Press, \$2.50.

Here is a charming story of Stephen Fisher, a young boy living in Philadelphia during the American Revolution. It tells of the British occupancy of the city and of Stephen's services in the colonial army in the later part of the war. Mrs. Dyer is the author of *Turkey Trot*, a delightful story for children published in 1942. Her home is Indianapolis.

HARDING, BERTITA. *The Land Columbus Loved*. 1949. 246p. Coward, \$4.00.

Mrs. Harding has written a travelog, a detailed description of the history, the land and

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the people of the Dominican republic. Like *Southern Empire, Brazil* published in 1948, this is a guide book for travelers to Santo Domingo.

..... *Mosaic in the Fountain*. 1949. 320p. Lippincott, \$4.00.

This is an autobiography. The first chapters tell of the author's early life in Germany and Hungary, but the book for the most part deals with her childhood in Mexico City and Monterrey. The story which is filled with adventure ends with her departure for a boarding school in Philadelphia. Mrs. Harding lives in Indianapolis.

HELMEN, VERNON R. *Archaeological Survey of Owen County*. 1950. 49p. Indiana Historical Bureau.

The survey of Owen County was made by the author between June 15 and September 15, 1948 under the direction of Glenn A. Black, archaeological field director for the Indiana Historical Society. The survey includes a brief history of the county, and locates Indian camp sites, villages, and mounds.

*Holiday Magazine*. August, 1950. Curtis Publishing Company, 50 cents.

*Holiday Magazine* for August 1950 has two interesting and well illustrated articles on Indiana. The first is "Indiana, the Hoosier State" by William E. Wilson, author of *The Wabash*, 1940 and *Abe Lincoln of Pigeon Creek*, 1949. The other article is "Hoosier Capital" by Laura Owen Miller of Indianapolis. Miss Miller's grandfather, W. H. H. Miller, was Attorney General in President Benjamin Harrison's cabinet.

HUNT, MABEL LEIGH. *The Wonderful Baker*. Illustrated by Grace Paull. 1950. 47p. Lippincott, \$1.50.

In the little village of Gem, Papa Winklepeck baked the pies and pastries, Momma mixed the sweet fillings and rich frostings and the four Winklepeck children tasted and sampled the wares. When Elfrieda Winklepeck was ten she decided tasting the pastries made the

family too plump so from then on they baked only plain things. People quit buying the pastries and business was bad in Gem, for the Winklepeck bakery had attracted folks from miles around. How the problem was solved is told in this charming book for children.

INDIANA STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

*Citizen Participation*. 1950. The Chamber, \$4.00. (Discount to libraries)

This is a loose leaf handbook of facts on Indiana politics, elections and legislative problems. The publications, *The ABC of Indiana State Finance* and *Here is Your Indiana Government* are included.

..... *Here is Your Indiana Government*. 4th edition (Revised) 1949. 104p. The Chamber, \$1.00 (Discount to libraries)

The first edition of this survey was published in 1944. It is one of the best sources for information on state and local government and should be in every public and school library.

JACKSON, PHYLLIS WYNN. *Golden Footlights*. 1950. 310p. Holiday, \$3.00.

Lotta Crabtree, through pluck and determination, became one of the most adored actresses of her time. Born outside the profession, and without money or training she began her career as a child entertainer in the western mining camps. She was a great comedienne with a talent for rollicking, spontaneous comedy. "She brought the status of the singing-dancing comedienne up to legitimate stardom, created a new naturalistic style of acting and opened the way for musical comedy." The author's home is Vernon, Indiana.

MASON, MIRIAM E. *Herman the Brave Pig*. Illustrated by George and Doris Hausman. 1949. 120p. Macmillan, \$1.50.

Herman was the runt of the litter of pigs and was never very important except as Danny's favorite pet. It was Herman's encounter with rattlesnakes that made him a hero. This is a

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delightful story for beginning readers by one of our better known Indiana writers of childrens books.

..... *Three Ships Came Sailing In.*  
Illustrated by Charles V. John. 1950.  
246p. Bobbs, \$2.50.

The story of the Jamestown settlement is the theme of this latest book by Miriam Mason. It is written for children from 10 to 14 years old.

RUSSO, DOROTHY RITTER and SULLIVAN, THELMA LOIS. *Bibliography of Booth Tarkington, 1869-1946.* Indiana Historical Society, 1949. Apply.

This exhaustive bibliography of Tarkington is the third publication of the Committee on Bibliography of the Indiana Historical Society. The earlier volumes were *A Bibliography of James Whitcomb Riley* by Anthony J. Russo and Dorothy Ritter Russo (1944) and a *Bibliography of George Ade, 1866-1944* by Dorothy Ritter Russo (1947). These volumes are of inestimable value to book collectors. The book is not for sale but is available by special request to the Bibliography Committee.

SWAYNE, SAM and ZOA. *Great-Grandfather in the Honey Tree.* 1949. 53p. Viking, \$2.00.

Sam Swayne's grandfather was a teller of tall tales, and here is the tallest of them all. The setting of the story is Indiana along the Wabash River. The book is very cleverly illustrated by Zoa Swayne. It is for young children.

WILLIAMS, KENNETH P. *Lincoln Finds a General.* 1949. 2v. 902p. Macmillan, \$12.50.

This two volume work on the military history of the Civil War was written by a professor of mathematics at Indiana University. It is a comprehensive study of Lincoln's search for a competent commanding officer, a documented and detailed history of the generalship of the Union troops during the Civil War and of  
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## Have You Seen . . .

The Indianapolis Public Library's attractive and dignified brochure, *A List of Books on the Finer Arts of Home Making.* This list, prepared by the Art Department, is a bibliography of the Julia Conner Thompson Memorial Collection of books established by Charles Nebeker Thompson in memory of his wife. A copy of the list will be sent to any library requesting it.

*The H. W. Wilson Company: Half a Century of Bibliographic Publishing,* by John Lawler, published by the University of Minnesota Press (\$3.00).

Carl H. Melinat's list of outstanding U. S. government publications of 1949 in the *Wilson Bulletin*, June, 1950. This annotated bibliography is a selection of books and pamphlets most generally useful for all libraries.

The July 1, 1950 editorial in *Saturday Review of Literature* by Norman Cousins making a plea for community support for libraries. It is an adaptation of an address by Mr. Cousins at the dedication of the Charles Hayden Memorial Library, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The forceful, challenging article in the *May Woman's Home Companion*, "What's Wrong with our Public Libraries?" by Jack Harrison Pollack.

A group of excellent new recruiting leaflets—"A Future in Their Faces", on library work with children and young people, prepared by the Children's Library Association and distributed by the A.L.A.; the Kentucky Library Association's leaflet, "Why be a Librarian", and the Alabama Education Association Department of School Libraries folder, "How About School Libraries."

# INDIANA DOCUMENTS AT THE STATE LIBRARY

May-July, 1950

Compiled by VERA GREY BUSSELLE, Catalog Division, State Library

Items starred (\*) are distributed by the State Library. Items not starred are often available at the office of issue. Offices are located in Indianapolis unless otherwise indicated. Dagger (†) indicates non-current publications.

## ACCOUNTS, STATE BOARD OF.

County auditors' bulletin, nos.66-68, May-July, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

The Examiner, v.9, nos.5-7, May-July, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

Township trustees bulletin, nos.47-49, May-July, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

## ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Indiana national guardsman, v.2, nos.4-6, April-June, 1950. 3 nos.

## AERONAUTICS COMMISSION.

Indiana aero-notes, v.3, no. 6, June-July, 1950. 4p. Processed.

## ARCHITECTS, STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR.

Roster of registered architects, 1949-1950. 40p.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Official opinions, nos.27-41, April 27-July 18, 1950. 15 nos. Processed.

## CONSERVATION, DEPT. OF.

Outdoor Indiana, v.17, nos.5-7, May-July, 1950. 3 nos.

*Fish and Game, Division of.* Indiana Pittman-Robertson wildlife research report, v.11, no.1, April, 1950. 55p. Processed.

*Geology, Division of, Bloomington.* Bulletin, no.4, June, 1950. Glacial sluiceways and lacustrine plains of southern Indiana, by William D. Thornbury. 21p.

*Oil and Gas Division.* Oil and gas drilling report, November, 1949-June, 1950. 8 nos. Processed.

## ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

News bulletin, v.6, nos.4-6, April-June, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

## EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BOARD.

14th annual report for the year ending December 31, 1949. 114p.

## EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION.

*Research and Statistics Section.* Detailed report, employment, hours and earnings in nonagricultural industries in Indiana, August-December, 1949, January-May, 1950. 7 nos. Processed.

..... Employment and payroll trends in Indiana, v.1, nos.7-9, March-May, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

..... Monthly summary of Division activities, April-June, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

## ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS, STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL.

\*28th annual report . . . for the year ending June 30, 1949. Copy of registration law, rules and regulations of the Board, roster of registered professional engineers and land surveyors for the year ending July 31, 1950. 159p.

## GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC—INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF.

Historical journal, 1879-1949. [Compiled by Irene Compton] [1950] 48p.

## HEALTH, STATE BOARD OF.

Annual report, 1947/48. Reprinted from Year book, 1948, p.449-668.

The control of communicable diseases in man. An official report of the American Public Health Association. 7th ed. 1950. 159p.

Directory [of] health programs. 1949. Paged separately.

Film library. [1950] [15p.] Processed.

Food handling and public health. [1950] 44p. Processed.

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of this state . . ." 1950. [14p.]  
 Here's how [to wash dishes] 1950. [8p.]  
 Processed.  
 Monthly bulletin, v.53, nos.4-6, April-June, 1950. 3 nos.  
 Preliminary considerations for septic tank systems for the disposal of sewage. 5p. Processed.  
 Recipes for baby's foods. [1950] [4p.] Processed.  
 Rodent control. [1950] 2p. Processed.  
*Dental Health, Division of.* How about fluorine. [1950] [4p.] Processed.  
*Food and Drugs, Division of.* Digest of the Indiana food, drug and cosmetic act. 1949. 4p. Processed.  
*Nutrition Service.* The packed school lunch. Rev. 1949. [4p.] Processed.  
 . . . . . The schoolchild's breakfast. Rev. 1949. [4p.] Processed.  
*Sanitary Engineering, Division of.* Sewage gas, a publication for sewage treatment plant operators, v.13, no.1, Spring, 1950. 23p. Processed.

## HISTORICAL BUREAU.

Archaeological survey of Owen County, Indiana, by Vernon R. Helmen. 1950. 49p.  
 Hoosier folklore, v.9, no.2, April-June, 1950. p.33-64.  
 Indiana history bulletin, v.27, nos.5, 6, May, June, 1950. 2 nos.

## INDIANA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Spring meeting, May 5 and 6, 1950 at Hassmer Hill Camp, Versailles State Park, Versailles, Indiana. [Program] [3p.] Processed.

## INDIANA BOYS' SCHOOL, Plainfield.

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Dr. Winther has written a history of frontier trade, transportation and travel of the Pacific Northwest. The "battle to overcome imposing physical obstacles in order to exploit the rich natural resources of the Oregon Country and to establish orderly methods of commerce and travel comprise the major themes of the book." The book has also been published in a bound volume by the Stanford University Press, selling for \$7.50. The author is on the faculty at Indiana University.

# SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICE

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## A.A.S.L.—TODAY AND TOMORROW

By THELMA STOUT, president, Indiana School Librarians Association

### DIVISION STATUS PETITION

This has been a momentous year for the A.A.S.L. which is showing distinct signs of "growing pains". At A.L.A. Midwinter the A.A.S.L. voted to petition for A.L.A. division status for the following reasons.

(1) Present divisional structure needs simplification since A.A.S.L. is one of three sections making up the Division of Libraries for Children and Young People. It is confusing to prospective members. Present Division board meetings take an excess of time of section officers and it is difficult to make effective use of leadership in dual capacities.

(2) Membership gains would be easier to attain if the A.A.S.L. were a single Division and a large potential of teacher-librarians should be added. Some of the advantages it offers for developing more leadership and interest in national library organizations, as well as greater professional participation in expanding the work of A.A.S.L. and contributing to its growth and development.

(3) Divisional status would provide an organizational structure more comparable to that enjoyed by teachers such as, the National Council of Teachers of English, National Council of Social Studies, etc. Affiliation with national educational organizations would be possible. Affiliation with

state and local educational organizations would be strengthened. This means that school administrators and teachers would become more aware of the need for greater development of elementary and secondary school libraries. It would afford increased opportunities for further enlightenment and cooperation of educational leaders in making library materials a meaningful part of the child's education. Basically, the primary objective of the school library is to serve the entire school in supplementing the curriculum.

(4) Increased membership would provide increased funds and greater justification for the appointment of a full time executive secretary.

(5) Direct representation on A.L.A. Council would be assured.

(6) Channels would be established for organization into special interest groups, i.e., as teacher-librarians, elementary school librarians, city and state school library directors.

(7) It would provide opportunity for a closer working relationship with teacher-training institutions in training school librarians, in setting up materials centers in laboratory schools under trained personnel, in acquainting teachers and administrators with materials, sources of materials, and library services.

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(8) It would strengthen cooperative work between school libraries and public libraries in serving children and young people.

After due deliberation by an A.L.A. advisory committee, a petition was presented to the A.L.A. Council on July 21. The committee recommended that division status be granted on the basis of a favorable majority vote by mail from the entire membership of A.A.S.L. The Council voted approval of this procedure. There are approximately 2200 members representing the 48 states, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Alaska, which comprises over half the membership of the present Division of Libraries for Children and Young People.

### Extension of School Service is Goal

The extension and improvement of library service to children through schools is the big job A.A.S.L. has set itself to do. One-third of the boys and girls in this country have no library service of any kind. Such a job requires money, requires a full-time executive secretary, requires an organization that reaches out to every state, requires able leadership and hardworking committees. "You and the A.A.S.L.", a new leaflet just released by the membership committee, is aimed at the estimated potential of 12,000 school librarians in the United States. It has been said that school librarians offer the largest reservoir of latent membership for A.L.A.

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARIES

The growing need for elementary school libraries has resulted in the organization of

an elementary school library committee in A.A.S.L. After several meetings, the group has come to the conclusion that the problem of better library service to elementary schools must be approached from the standpoint of a more vital educational program in the elementary field rather than from the standpoint of standards and requirements set up by secondary schools.

### Cooperation with Educators

If library service is to work for the betterment of the educational program and if it is to stand on a firm foundation rather than be considered one of the "frills of education," the expressed need must come from the educators in the field. Therefore, we must work more closely with teacher-training institutions in many ways. Teachers need to see model elementary libraries functioning. For the teachers who are already on the job, there should be provision for in-service training.

### Action Programs in Other States

Through correspondence with state representatives, the committee has learned that various action programs are in progress for promoting the growth of elementary school libraries.

In Washington state, the State Department of Public Instruction has emphasized the need for providing for centralized library services in the school building program and in all modernization and remodeling jobs. The need for trained school librarians is also being emphasized.

In Illinois, an elementary school library committee has been set up and plans are

under way to secure information on elementary libraries through a questionnaire.

In Indiana, the state school library association has named an elementary committee to work on a plan of action. Letters have been written to the state schools giving library science training pointing up the need for model elementary school libraries in the laboratory schools already established. Reactions from the training schools were favorable and as a result Indiana State Teachers College has named a committee to look into the matter.

### Texas Workshops

In Texas, librarians are helping plan work shops and one of the radio programs for "Your Child and the Public School" series was devoted to school library service including the elementary schools. The State Department of Education has issued a *Handbook of Self Appraisal of Elementary Schools* with emphasis placed on school libraries.

In Georgia, several new school buildings have included an elementary library.

In Michigan, standards for elementary school libraries are in process, and Connecticut already has new standards for the elementary school.

In South Carolina, two cities have appointed consultants for elementary school libraries recently.

Other states are carrying on activities that indicate a general awakening throughout the country to the need for elementary school libraries. It is also significant that the 1951 yearbook of the elementary school principals will be devoted to elementary school libraries.

### INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

This A.A.S.L. committee has carried on correspondence with school librarians in other countries which has resulted in an interchange of ideas and publications. Library exhibits, broadcasts, and book collections in Japan, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Brazil, Australia, New South Wales, South Africa, Canada, England, Finland, Germany, and Lebanon have been reported.

Lists of books on elementary and high school levels have been sent to other countries. Arrangements have been made for individual correspondence between students in schools here and overseas. By their enthusiastic support of the CARE book program, students and librarians in American high schools have broadened their sympathies and deepened their understanding of world problems.

### YOU AND A.A.S.L.

As of July, Indiana has 131 members in A.A.S.L. We can be proud of this record because it shows a growing interest and awareness of the importance of membership in our national association. However, we still need to increase our membership among school librarians and teacher-librarians and to increase our participation and attendance at national meetings if we are to make an effective contribution to the growth of our profession.

This fall A.L.A. offers *new* members a bargain price. You may join in the fall and receive a membership card entitling you to membership through December 31, 1951. Just think; 16 month's membership for one year's fees!

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## GROWING IN DEMOCRACY

A condensation of a report prepared by Ruth Hughes Scott, Horace Mann School, Gary and Mary Elizabeth Johnson, Burris Laboratory School, Muncie.

"Growing in Democracy" was the theme of the American Association of School Librarians pre-conference institute in Cleveland, July 14-16, preceding the A.L.A. Conference. The institute was a decided success with a registered attendance of 452.

### Materials and the Curriculum

At the first session, July 14, Mrs. Margaret K. Walraven, chairman of A.A.S.L., introduced Dr. Chandos Reid, Horace Mann-Lincoln Institute, Teachers College, Columbia University, who spoke on "Materials and the Curriculum". Educational materials, Dr. Reid said, should be built around the needs, interests and problems of children, taking into account their social and economic background. To deal adequately with current situations, materials should solve problems, deal with values and concepts within pupils' experience, enable pupils to identify themselves with people in like circumstances, and indicate ways to analyze specific problems.

### Librarians and Child Development

Discussing "What Do We Know About Children" Dr. Willard C. Olson, director of research in child development, University of Michigan, pointed out that a child-growth environment will have in it a variety of types of experiences on many levels of difficulty. School librarians can help each child to grow socially and individually and

to make his adjustment to a society which depends upon relationships among people.

Mrs. Walraven spoke on "A Healthy America: A Selected List of Materials". Booklists were distributed on "Health for You"; "Understanding Yourself"; "Living Together in the Family"; "Living Together in the Community."

### David Dietz on Science

David Dietz, science editor, Scripps-Howard newspapers, was the first speaker Saturday morning on the subject "Science and Youth". We are all living in the shadow of danger but we must avoid panic and frustration, he said. Because we are depleting the natural resources of the earth, we must look to new sources of energy. The librarian may direct readers to books that explore scientific theory and development.

### Science and Materials

"Science and Materials" was the topic of a talk by Dr. Herbert S. Zim, professor at the University of Illinois and author of numerous books on science. While the library is a place of reference where materials of all types are accessible, books are still the basic tool used to answer children's questions and to stimulate a desire to "find out". Elementary and high school librarians formed discussion groups following the two talks.



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Saturday afternoon Dr. William A. Brownell, Northwestern University, discussed "Mathematics Today". He characterized mathematics as a system of quantitative thinking by which we teach children so that now, and later as adults, they may live more culturally and richly. A buzz session was held and the questions evolved were presented by a panel to Dr. Brownell.

### Books for Global Understanding

The speaker Saturday evening was Dr. Henry W. Taesch, dean, College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio. In his brief speech he said books were important for global understanding in that through books one may make friends of his own choice without being confined by geographic boundaries.

### Helen Papashvily Speaks

Mrs. Helen Papashvily, Moby Dick Bookshop, Allentown, Pennsylvania, talked Sunday morning on "Skill in Human Relations". She asked for understanding of ourselves, of our world as it was, is and will be, and of our readers. The world of ideas needs to be brought closer to the world of actuality. She recommended more material for the "slow reader", less censorship and more realism in juvenile literature.

Helen B. Lewis, supervisor of school libraries, Cleveland Public Library, told of the origin and development of the reading list, "Reading Ladders for Human Relations", published by American Council on Education, 1949.

The final session of the conference was Sunday afternoon when Dr. Harlan Hatcher, historian and vice-president, Ohio State Uni-

versity, presented "The American Scene," in which he pointed to America's march toward cultural maturity. Materials depicting the nation's advancement and growth should be made available to young people, he said.

### Henne Summarizes Institute

Frances Henne, Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, closed the institute with a summary. We have learned about the individual differences of youth, their problems and the importance of a healthy America, she said. We have heard that civilization can survive, but it is dependent upon human behavior. We have been shown new sources for materials. As a nation, we have not reached maturity, but each day we are gaining.

Factors determining our growth as leaders for a better world are the acquisition of information, understanding and the ability to think through our problems. The library holds a strategic position in the school. The librarian must know new developments in the field of education; she must know and make available all types of resources and, above all, she must know and understand the child and his world.

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### NEW RECRUITING LEAFLET

A.A.S.L. has reprinted the clever recruiting leaflet, "How About School Librarianship For You?", of the Alabama Education Association, Department of School Libraries. Copies are available from Sturgis Printing Company, Sturgis, Michigan for 15c each; quantity prices quoted by the printer.

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Strengthen your professional affiliation by joining A.A.S.L. this fall. Your membership dues are \$3 for teacher-librarians devoting one-half time to teaching; \$6 for salary bracket \$2,101 to \$4000; and \$10 for salary bracket over \$4000. Your membership dues bring you the *A.L.A. Bulletin*, and that inspirational quarterly, *Top of the News*, our own Division publication.

Mrs. Alice Brooks McGuire, formerly of the Materials Center of the University of Chicago, is the new editor of *Top of the News*. Margaret Turk, Wiley High School, Terre Haute, is the regional reporter for this area. Send news to her. Sample copies may be obtained from Mrs. McGuire, at 1705 Pease Road, Austin, Texas.

If you do not belong to A.A.S.L., you will want to get your membership blank ship chairman for Indiana, Tudor Hall School, Indianapolis 8, Indiana.

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## INDIANA BOOK LIST

A new book list of interest to Hoosier librarians has recently been printed by Sturgis Printing Company entitled "Indiana Authors and their Books for Boys and Girls." The list was compiled by Evelyn Sickels, supervisor of work with children, Indianapolis Public Library, for the School Librarians Section, Indiana State Teachers Association last year. It has been attractively assembled in a two page leaflet in the shape of a map of Indiana. Copies may be ordered from Sturgis Printing Company, Sturgis, Michigan for \$7.50 for 100 copies, quantity prices quoted upon request.

## STUDENT LIBRARIANS

The Hoosier Student Librarians Association will hold a one day meeting at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Saturday, October 7.

Martha Bennett King, children's book editor, Chicago Sun-Times, will be the guest speaker at the luncheon. A forum will be conducted in the afternoon, followed by a business session.

The student organization was formed last December under the sponsorship of the I.S.L.A. It is one of seven such school library organizations. Myrtle Moberg, South Bend, I.S.L.A. vice-president, is chairman of the I.S.L.A. Student Assistants Committee.

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## REPRESENTS S.O.R.T.

Mary Wells of Indianapolis Public Library, Business Library, has been appointed by the steering committee of A.L.A. Staff Organizations Round Table as the Indiana representative of S.O.R.T. activities. This year's program will be focused on recruiting new members for S.O.R.T. and on encouraging the formation of staff associations in more libraries in the state.

An information center at the I.L.A. Conference is being planned, where administrators as well as staff representatives may come for help. Material will be available from S.O.R.T. and A.L.A. on the procedure in forming a staff organization, and the objectives and attainments of organizations now in existence.

Any pre-conference questions and suggestions will be most welcome.

